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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants hereby request a further one-month extension of time in which to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application, dated November 17, 2003, hereby extending the period for response for the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application from January 17, 2004 to March 17, 2004.

Please charge **Deposit Account No. 50-0762** the difference amount of \$310.00 (\$110 was paid on February 17, 2004), to cover the extension fee. In the event of non-payment or improper payment of a required fee, the Commissioner is authorized to charge or to credit **Deposit Account No.** 50-0762 as required to correct the error. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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